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IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claims 6, 8, 10, 12, and 14 without prejudice or disclaimer, and AMEND claims 1, 3, 9, and 11 in accordance with the following:

1. (Currently Amended) A cooking apparatus, comprising:  
at least ~~one~~ two heating ~~unit~~ units;  
a grill unit, such that food laid thereon is cooked by heat from the heating unit; and  
a cover covering the food, defining a cooking space thereunder, and having an air ventilation structure serving as a primary conduit of air into and out of the cooking space during cooking, when the cover is in a closed position,

wherein the air ventilation structure comprises opposing side portions of the cover, each with at least one air inlet hole, to allow inflow of the air therethrough during cooking, and the heating units are disposed along a first axis at opposing ends of an interior space of the cooking apparatus, and the air inlet holes are disposed in the cover at opposing ends of a second axis transverse to the first axis, such that the inlet holes do not face the heating units.

2. (Original) The cooking apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein:  
the air ventilation structure enables a temperature of the cooking space to be maintained below 260°C.

3. (Currently Amended) The cooking apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein the air ventilation structure further comprises:  
~~a side portion of the cover with at least one air inlet hole, to allow inflow of the air therethrough during cooking; and~~  
a top portion of the cover with at least one air outlet hole, to allow outflow of the air therethrough during cooking.

4. (Original) The cooking apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein:

the top portion of the cover comprises at least two air outlet holes arranged in two opposite portions of the top member of the cover.

5. (Original) The cooking apparatus as set forth in claim 4, wherein:  
a total area of the air outlet holes ranges from 5% to 25% of an effective area of the grill unit.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) The cooking apparatus as set forth in claim 1, wherein the grill unit comprises:  
a pair of water tanks with water therein, spaced apart from each other; and  
a plurality of grilling pipes communicating with the pair of water tanks such that the water contained in the water tanks flows into the plurality of the pipes.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) A cooking apparatus comprising:  
a pair of heating units disposed at opposing ends of an interior space of the cooking apparatus along a first axis;  
a grill unit; and  
a cover, defining a cooking space between the grill unit and the cover, with  
an air inlet, comprising at least two inlet holes disposed at opposing sides of the cover, and serving as a primary inlet of air into the cooking space when the cover is in a closed position, the air inlet holes being positioned along a second axis transverse to the first axis such that the inlet holes do not face the heating units, to prevent outside air in the vicinity of the air inlet from being heated by the heating unit, and  
an air outlet to ventilate the air out of the cooking space when the cover is in the closed position.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) The cooking apparatus according to claim 9, wherein:  
~~the air inlet comprises at least one inlet hole to ventilate air into the cooking space; and~~

the air outlet comprises at least one outlet hole ventilate air out of the cooking space.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Original) The cooking apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the air outlet comprises:

at least two outlet holes arranged in opposing areas of the cover.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Original) The cooking apparatus according to claim 11, wherein:

a total area of the at least one outlet hole ranges from approximately about 5% to 25% of an effective cooking area of the grill unit.

16. (Original) The cooking apparatus according to claim 11, wherein:

a total area of the at least one outlet hole is sized to maintain a temperature of the cooking space below approximately 260°C.

17. (Original) The cooking apparatus according to claim 11, wherein:

the at least one outlet hole is positioned to maintain a temperature of the cooking space below approximately 260°C.

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Previously Presented) The cooking apparatus as set forth in claim 9, wherein the grill unit comprises:

a pair of water tanks with water therein, spaced apart from each other; and

a plurality of grilling pipes communicating with the pair of water tanks such that the water contained in the water tanks flows into the plurality of the pipes.